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See what The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is saying about H.J. Res. 41, the "Tax Limitation Amendment." To co-sponsor please contact Matt Bassett in my office at 226.8422.

Sincerely,

**Pete Sessions** Member of Congress

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The Honorable Pete Sessions United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Sessions:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce – the world's largest business federation. representing more than three million businesses and organizations of every size, sector and region - would like to thank you for your leadership in introducing H.J. Res. 41, the Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment of 2001, to require a two-thirds supermajority in each House of Congress for approval of any bill, resolution or legislative measure that increases revenue through changes to the Internal Revenue Code.

The business community strongly feels that some curbs such as this are needed to restrict the government's reach into their wallets, especially in times of budgetary surpluses. Furthermore, if the time should come that budgetary deficits threaten. Congress should have to look to rein in expenditures as the first, and much-preferred, option to achieve balance. This amendment would help ensure that this is the route that would be taken.

We are currently involved in an epic struggle to reduce the oppressive tax burden levied on the backs of Americans. Adoption of the Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment of 2001 will help protect the progress that will be made in that battle. Again, thank you for introducing this important resolution, and we look forward to working with you towards making the amendment a reality.

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